CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

ORDER NO. R5-2009-0079

RESCISSION OF CEASE AND DESIST ORDER NO. R5-2004-0051 FOR CHESTER PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT. CHESTER WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT, PLUMAS COUNTY

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, (hereafter Regional Board) finds that:

- On 23 April 2004, the Regional Board adopted Cease and Desist Order (CDO) No. R5-2004-0051 against The Chester Public Utility District (hereafter Discharger) to assure compliance with Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R5-2004-0050 (NPDES No. CA0077747).
- 2. The CDO required the Discharger to continue to work on their Infiltration/Inflow (I/I) problems. The I/I problems have caused low percentage BOD and TSS removals, high effluent coliform, and occasional discharges during the discharge prohibition season (1 June to 30 September).
- 3. The Discharger has achieved partial compliance with the CDO by repairing additional sewer line. The Discharger has not met effluent limits for percent removal of BOD and TSS on a regular basis and has had some effluent coliform limitation exceedances. The Discharger also had one discharge to the Lake during a prohibited period, in June of 2006. Also, in accordance with Federal Regulations, the percentage total suspended solids removal effluent limitation in the Discharger's tentative new Order is being made more stringent, raising the value from 65 percent to 85 percent. Therefore, an updated CDO will be proposed for adoption by the Regional Board.
- 4. The issuance of this Order is exempt from the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code Section 21000, et seq.), in accordance with Section 15321(a)(2), Title 14, California Code of Regulations.
- 5. The Regional Board has notified the Discharger and interested agencies and persons of its intent to rescind CDO No. R5-2004-0051, and has provided them with an opportunity for a public hearing and an opportunity to submit their written views and recommendations.
- 6. The Regional Board in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments and evidence pertaining to this matter.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Cease and Desist Order No. R5-2004-0051 is rescinded.

I, PAMELA C. CREEDON, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, on 13 August 2009.

PAMELA C. CREEDON, Executive Officer

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